very much. It is therefore requested that in view to avoid delay, some rules limiting the time for the disposal of papers by Revenue officers be framed and enforced.

Reply of Government.—Steps are taken in all offices to dispose of papers promptly. If any instances of undue delay are brought to notice, they will be enquired into.

FOREST.

Subject No. 258.

Growth of sandal plants.

(a) Messrs. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, M. C. Ranga Iyengar, Madappa, Anantarajaiya of the Mysore City Municipality.
(b) Mr. Graham Anderson.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) It is requested that the holders of lands may be so encouraged as not to prevent the growth of sandal plants on their holdings.

(*b*) Government should encourage sandal tree growing on private holdings by making the holders of the land realize a portion of the sale proceeds when the trees become mature.

Messrs. Madappa and Anantarajaiya were in favour of creating an interest to the owners of lands for conserving the sandal trees.

Mr. Anderson read the * following note.

* (Appendix D. 4.)

Reply of Government—At present the idea is not to create any such interest. It was once tried by Sir Richard Meade and given up. The representation will again be given very careful consideration.

Subject No. 259.

Occupants of lands to be allowed a share of the Revenue from sandal and teak trees.

Mr. Venkatasamaiya, Taluk member, Holalkere.
„ C. N. Krishnappa, Taluk member, Hirivur.
„ Byregowda of Hoskote.
„ Bhaskara Rao.
„ Keladi Venkappa.
„ Palyada Ramaswami Setti of Arkalgud Taluk.
„ Kodandapani Setti.
„ Lingegowda.
„ Madappa of Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Referring to the reply of Government to Subject No. 100 of 1903, about the responsibility of the occupants of lands for the preservation of the sandal trees standing in their lands, it is proposed that the occupants should be paid half the amount of the income derived by Government from such trees for the care and attention the occupants are to bestow upon them.

Mr. C. N. Krishnappa's proposal is that the raiyats who are anxious to plant and conserve sandal and teak trees may be encouraged by allowing them a share in the revenue derived from those trees. Mr. Y. Chennabasappa proposes that the occupants of lands should be excused from all responsibility for the preservation of the trees.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* subject No. 258.

Subject No. 260.

Right of Inamdars and occupants to sandal trees standing in their lands.

Mr. Nadig Sivappa, Sorab Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Sandal trees standing in occupied and Inam lands have been reserved to Government. It is prayed that they may be given away to holders of those lands as in force in the Bombay Presidency.

Reply of Government.—This cannot be done.

Subject No. 261.

Free grant for agricultural purposes of wood unreserved under the old classification.

Mr. Patel Basappa, Shimoga Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The old classification of trees into reserved and unreserved may be restored and the raiyats may be allowed to use Thadasalu, Dindiga, Bilwara, Jambe, Kadavalu, Beete and Honne trees for agricultural purposes without paying any seigniorage as the wood now allowed under the new rules is not suited for the purpose.

Reply of Government.—The list of classified trees has already been reduced as far as possible. No further concession appears possible.